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November 3, 1994
DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO DECLARE THE STATE OF UTAH'S INTENTION TO ISSUE A GROUND WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, SECTION 19-5-104 (1)(i) AND R317-6 UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED.

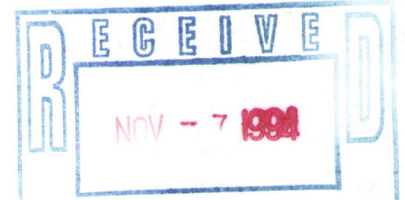
PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Barrick Resources (USA) Inc.

MAILING ADDRESS: Barrick Resources (USA), Inc.
Mercur Mine
P. O. Box 838
Tooele, Utah 84074

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (801) 268-4447

FACILITY LOCATION: Mercur Canyon in the Southern Oquirrh Mountain Range
of Tooele County.



As authorized by Ground Water Discharge Permit No. UGW450001, Barrick Mercur Mine has operated the Valley Fill Leach Area No. 3 for the extraction gold using cyanide solutions since January 1991. The permittee has requested as required under UAC R317-6-6.7 that the permit which expires July 10, 1995 be renewed. It is proposed that the permit be renewed concurrent with other permit modifications made necessary as the result of permittee resolution of required compliance schedule items contained in the current permit. These items include adoption of new and revised water quality protection limits, incorporation of additional facility closure requirements, and clarification of compliance determination methods. The proposed permit, if issued, would replace and supersede the current permit in its entirety.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to December 4, 1994. Comments may be directed to the Division of Water Quality, 288 North 1460 West, P. O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870. All comments received prior to December 4, 1994 will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permit. A public hearing may be held if written requests are received within the first 15 days of this public comment period that demonstrate significant public interest and substantive issues exist to warrant holding a hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (801) 538-6146 or by writing the aforementioned address. Related documents are available for review at the Division of Water Quality.